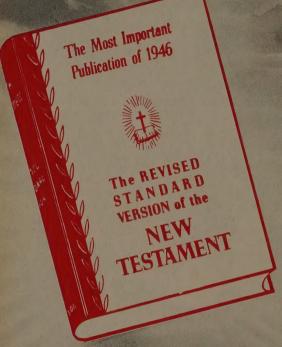


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Delaware Has Fine Mission Record

INFLUENCE REACHES WHOLE CHURCH

The Diocese of Delaware has had a long and notable record in its support of the missionary work of the Episcopal Church. In its earliest days the Church in Delaware received strong missionary support from the Church of England, especially through the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. The early history of the Diocese clearly reveals the fact that there would have been no branch of the Anglican Communion in the state in its early days had it not been for the missionary support of the Anglican Church.

Mexican Church Indebted

This Diocese was at one time a branch of the missionary field. Later, when the Diocese was formed, the first Bishop of Delaware, the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lea, D.D., led the people of Delaware in support of the then existing missionary program of the Episcopal Church. While Bishop Lea was serving as Presiding Bishop of the Church he made an exhaustive survey of the opportunities for missionary work in the territory of Mexico. Because of his zeal our Communion undertook the founding of missions in the country to the southwest of our nation.

Missionary Bishop Educated

The present Missionary Bishop of Mexico, the Rt. Rev. Efrain Salinas y Velasco, D.D., was educated through funds contributed by the people of the Diocese of Delaware.

In more recent years the Rt. Rev. Philip Cook, D.D., fourth Bishop of Delaware, gave further stimulus to the missionary support of this Diocese to the general Church. For a number of years he served as president of the National Council. He gave himself without stint to the cause of domestic and foreign missions.

Diocesan Interest High Today

It is therefore with great pride that the Bishop of the Diocese is able to report to the communicants of Delaware that the present generation of Churchmen are maintaining standards set by those who have gone before. To the appeal of General Convention, calling upon the Episcopal Church to rise up and rebuild destroyed and damaged churches, schools, colleges and hospitals in wartorn areas and to seize certain opportunities for advance in continental United States, this Diocese has made a ready and spontaneous response.

Reconstruction Goal Near

The National Council of the Church is endeavoring to raise \$8,800,000 for these purposes. The Diocese of Delaware is asked to give \$200,000. As of May 1, the diocesan committee on Reconstruction and Advance had received

SUMMER ISSUE

This will be the last diocesan issue of FORTH until September. The combined July-August issue of the regular edition of FORTH will come to diocesan subscribers.

cash and promises from parishes and missions totaling \$175,000.

It is obvious that this sum is \$25,000 less than the Diocese has endeavored to raise. However, the closing date of the campaign is Aug. 1. It is still possible that additional gifts from unexpected sources may be received which will be added to the amounts reported to Convention.

Those responsible for the leadership of this endeavor are still hoping that Delaware may approximate her \$200,000 goal. However, the funds already in hand or promised constitute the largest single offering ever made at one time by the people of this Diocese. The parishes and missions of Delaware, which have loyally supported this enterprise, can take pride in the results.

Committee Works Zealously

Too much praise cannot be given the diocesan committee, especially the general chairman, W. Albert Haddock, the executive chairman, Captain Hudson Dravo, the chairman for special gifts, Charles W. Baker Jr., and Macmillan Hoopes, treasurer of the diocesan committee, who has also given a great deal of his time. It would be impossible to single out all of the people among the clergy and laity who worked with unusual zeal for the realization of the Diocese of Delaware's objectives.

General Convention Highlight

The Bishop extends heartfelt thanks to all who have already given to the Fund or who may between May and August give additional amounts. It will be a dramatic moment when Delaware's delegation to General Convention places the Diocese's total gift

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Diocese Holds 161st Convention

MANY WOMEN'S GROUPS REPRESENTED



The Rev. Joseph H. Earp, D.D., presided again this year as secretary of Convention, a position he has filled for ten years.

Servicemen Receive Last Cathedral Newsletter

On May 1 the Newsletter, sent to all service people from the Cathedral Church of St. John, was mailed out for the last time. For just three years to the day the Newsletter was mimeographed and sent twice every month to members of the armed forces. Often it reached men stationed in distant places when letters from home did not get through. Many a serviceman paid tribute to the Newsletter as a morale builder and a cherished bond between men in the armed forces and their home parish.

The Newsletter consisted of a page of parish news, a message from the Dean, and items of news about the men and women in service. The issues are now being bound in permaneut form to be kept in the Cathedral office.

In place of the Newsletter the Dean will send out a monthly letter to parish members who are absent from home. All service people will receive it, as well as young people who are away at school or college and parish members who are living out of town over an extended period. Like the Newsletter, this monthly message is designed to strengthen the bond between the parish and absent members.

The 161st Convention of the Diocese of Delaware was held May 15 at the Church of the Ascension, Claymont. Conducted simultaneously with Convention was a well-attended meeting of the women of the Diocese. The latter session was somewhat different from former years. Not only delegates from the Woman's Auxiliary attended but many representatives of parish women's organizations were included, making the meeting more nearly representative of all the women's organizations of the Diocese.

Rev. C. A. Rantz Is Host

Convention was a very happy occasion. The rector, the Rev. C. A. Rantz, and his people were gracious in their hospitality. The luncheon was delicious and well served. There was a service of Holy Communion at 9:30 and the sessions began at 10:30. The women's meetings were all well attended.

A detailed report of Convention appeared in the Wilmington newspapers and no attempt will be made in these columns either to rehearse the decisions of Convention or to give the names of those elected to General Convention or the various diocesan committees.

Ascension Has Bright Future

The Diocese is grateful to the rector of the Church of the Ascension and his people for making Convention a happy and profitable occasion. The Diocese also notes with pride the development of this fine parish under its rector and is confident a still greater period of growth lies ahead of this parish in the immediate future.

Adjacent Land Opening Up

Substantial areas of land adjacent to the Church of the Ascension will undoubtedly be used for residences before many years have elapsed. It is logical to assume that the Church of the Ascension is due for considerable growth. The Diocese wishes the parish well and will follow with interest its development.

Middletown Revives Old St. Anne's Day

One of Delaware's famed colonial churches will once more be thrown open to the public on June 16 when Old St. Anne's Day will be revived in Middletown. The church will be opened for a service at eleven o'clock, D.S.T., with people coming from several states to worship in this beautiful historic shrine.

Following the service in Old St. Anne's, prayers will be said at the grave of the late Philip Cook, fourth Bishop of Delaware. Preacher at the service will be the Rev. E. Felix Kloman, D.D., rector of Old Christ Church, Philadelphia. The Rev. Richard W. Trapnell, D.D., rector of St. Anne's, Middletown, will be in charge.

Vestryman Is Elected

But one change was made in the vestry of St. Anne's at the annual congregational meeting held April 22. Capt. Warren S. P. Combs Jr. was elected to fill the vacancy created by the withdrawal of William Shallcross. Though Mr. Shallcross had served but one year, his request to withdraw was granted with regret. Present difficulties in discharging the responsibilities of a vestryman, he stated, made necessary his request.

The vestry for the ensuing year numbers ten, as for the year previous. Members are James Gaylord Bragdon, senior warden, Julian H. Foard, junior warden, George W. Hearne, secretary, Percy S. Donaghay, treasurer, Frederick Brady, J. Frank Biggs, Harlan M. Fisher, Benjamin Gibbs, Dr. E. M. Vaughan, and Capt. Warren S. P. Combs Jr. William Shallcross and his successor, Capt. Combs, are veterans of World War II.

Record of Achievement

The record of achievements in all departments of parish life was heard by the congregation with appreciation and enthusiasm. Resolutions of thanks were adopted with hearty unanimity for the leadership and service of officers and personnel of each of the parish organizations, vestry, choir, Auxiliary, guild, chancel chapter, Church School, and the grounds committee of the famous Old St. Anne's.

Consultant in Education Wanted

DEPARTMENT REQUESTS EARLY ACTION

The diocesan Department of Christian Education, at its meeting on March 18, passed a resolution urgently requesting the executive council to proceed without delay to the securing of the full-time services of a consultant in education for the diocesan program, to have headquarters in Dover. This action had been substantially endorsed by the Convention of the Diocese and the executive council some months ago, but not until the end of the war was it felt feasible to press for the filling of this position which has been vacant for some time. The department feels that the time has more than come for the step to be taken.

Study Sent to Clergy

The Department of Christian Education has mailed to all the parochial clergy of the Diocese a copy of the very valuable evaluation study made by the Third Province Commission on Christian Education a vear ago, under the general leadership of Mrs. C. Stanley Rogers, chairman. The exhaustive study of curriculum materials in use in the Episcopal Church, and analysis of their respective merits and shortcomings, was made by a group of parish clergy and professional Christian educators, in an endeavor to produce some helpful guide to the selection of materials. Each course is described in terms of its theological and Church-teaching content, its use of Bible material, non-Biblical material, its underlying educational philosophy, its provision of teaching methods and helps, together with a brief comment by the committee which did the work.

Curriculum Improvements Noted

The department suggests that Church School superintendents, teachers and assistants in the various departments of the parish schools make a point of securing a copy of the curriculum evaluation from their rectors for study; or better yet, to arrange for an opportunity to go over with him the whole review. This should be

done before vacation time, so that possible improvements in the curriculum may be made in good season before the opening of Church School in the fall.

The Department of Christian Education wishes to stress most especially that part of the curriculum critique which deals with the question of how well each course takes into account the known factors of child interest and child growth, as well as the parts which are concerned with the central teachings of Catholic Faith. Additional copies of the study, in chart form, can be had from Mrs. C. Stanley Rogers, Flourtown, Pa., for forty cents, which includes postage charges, a set.

At the April meeting of the chapter of the Washington Cathedral the Bishop of Delaware was elected to membership on the chapter. The Diocese of Delaware is further represented in the administrative life of the Cathedral by Mrs. Irving Warner who is regent for the State of Delaware.

Marshallton School Evidences Growth

Under the leadership of the Rev. Alvin B. Potter and Frederick Bringhurst, superintendent, aided by many devoted lay people, the Church School of St. Barnabas', Marshallton, is experiencing a new growth and new manifestation of interest. At the children's service on Easter evening the children built a floral cross of their own flower offering, each child thus participating individually in the festival service. A large Children's Lenten Offering was also presented.

Delaware Mission Record

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upon the altar at the great missionary service in Philadelphia this September. Thus this Diocese maintains its long record for missionary support.

The financial report of the diocesan committee for the Reconstruction and Advance Fund appears on page two of this issue. If there should be any errors they will be rectified and published in September when all funds will be in.

The Rev. R. Y. Barber of the Gateway Field, Sussex County, who recently completed his long term as a member of the State Board of Welfare, discusses affairs of State and Church with his parishioner and vestryman, Lt. Gov. Carvel, prominent Churchman.



Summer School Opens on June 16 St. Luke's, Seaford,

ARMY VETERAN WILL ADDRESS YOUTH

The revival of the diocesan Summer School for young people this year will extend through part of two days, instead of over five days as originally planned. It will be held as a summer conference at Rehoboth Beach from four o'clock on Sunday afternoon, June 16, to four o'clock the following day. The Hotel Belle Haven will be conference headquarters, and services and conference meetings will be held at All Saints' Church, Rehoboth Beach, within walking dis tance of the hotel. Registration fee will be \$2.50 per person for the entire conference.

Dr. Rightmyer Leads Seminar

The Rev. Nelson Rightmyer, Ed. D., will conduct a Sunday evening seminar on the Church Answers, a discussion of major questions of special interest concerning the identity of the Episcopal Church, from an historical point of view. This seminar will be followed by a presentation of the Student Federalist movement by Harris Wofford of Scarsdale, N. Y., a student at the University of Chicago, recently released from the Army.

The Rev. John M. Mulligan, chaplain at the Salisbury School, Salisbury, Conn., and formerly secretary for private schools and colleges of the National Christian Education Board, will conduct a series of seminar discussions on Monday morning. Mr. Mulligan will discuss Areas of Interest and Responsibility for Youth Programming.

Rev. W. H. Hanckel Chaplain

The opening service for the conference will be held on Trinity Sunday afternoon at 4:45 o'clock in All Saints' Church, Rehoboth Beach. The Rev. William H. Hanckel, chaplain of the conference, will be in charge of the services. Bishop McKinstry will address the conference at the opening service. Bishop McKinstry and the guest speakers will also meet with the clergy and sponsors, separate from the conference hours for the young people, which will allow every one

an opportunity to discuss the general program without the usual conflict in age differences and consequent differences in interests and emphases.

The conference staff includes the Rev. H. E. Hammond, dean, the Rev. William H. Hanckel, chaplain, and Miss Florence V. Miller, registrar. Conference advisers will be Mrs. Robert Y. Barber, Mrs. Leonora R. Harris, Miss Cornelia Harris, Miss Mary E. Quillin, the Rev. Paul A. Kellogg, the Rev. Robert Y. Barber, the Rev. Edward H. Ehart and the Rev. Joseph H. Tatnall.

The conference schedule follows: SUNDAY, JUNE 16

4:00 p.m. Registration, Hotel Belle Haven

4:45 p.m. Opening service, All Saints' Church (The Bishop, chaplain and rec-

6:00 p.m. Dinner, Hotel Belle Haven 7:30 p.m. First conference session: Rightmyer Church Answers"

9:00 p.m. Second conference session: Harris Wofford "Student Federalists"

9:40 p.m. Adjournment 11:00 p.m. Lights Out

Monday, June 17

7:30 a.m. Holy Communion. Saints' Church (The Bishop, chaplain and rec-

8:15 a.m. Breakfast, Hotel Belle Ha-

9:30 a.m. Third conference session: The Rev. John M. Mulligan "Areas of Interest and Responsibility for Youth"

12:30 p.m. Adjournment

1:00 p.m. Lunch, Hotel Belle Haven. Afternoon free for recrea-

4:00 p.m. Check Out.

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Loses Senior Warden

Monro H. Adams, senior warden of St. Luke's, Seaford, loved his church and served it faithfully as vestryman and senior warden. With his death on April 24 Seaford lost a prominent Churchman.

Mr. Adams was a native of Laurel, coming to Seaford in 1915. For the past thirty-one years he had been engaged in produce buying and was widely known in business circles throughout the eastern seaboard.

Mr. Adams was a member of the Seaford Town Council for several

Funeral services were held April 26 at St. Luke's. The rector, the Rev. P. Malcolm Ferne, conducted the serv-

Parish in Czechoslovakia Adopted by Christ Church

Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, is seeking to personalize its help to the starving European people. The parish has secured the name of a Protestant congregation in Czechoslovakia. Food and clothing will be sent to these people regularly until the emergency has passed. Standard packages will be mailed containing cocoa, baby food, spam, evaporated milk, coffee, soap and vitamins.

Members of Christ Church are asked to bring articles of food when they attend church. In this manner they will carry out Christ's injunction to serve those in need.

The project is under the leadership of Hugh C. Wallace. He is now organizing teams to enlist the cooperation of all parishioners to give freely of time and money and food. We hope to send fifty boxes per month to these our needy brother Christians.

Clergy, sponsors and youth leaders attending the conference will meet the guest speakers for discussions as follows: On Sunday evening at 7:30 in All Saints' parish house with the Rev. John M. Mulligan; on Monday morning at 9:30 in the parish house with Mr. Wofford; at 10:30 in the parish house with the Bishop.







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Turning the Pages

A T the beginning of this first peacetime vacation season in many years, a timely suggestion comes from one of our readers lately returned to the United States after a sojourn in Mexico. While in Mexico, she took the trouble to meet Bishop Efrain Salinas y Velasco and the Dean of the Cathedral of San José de Gracia in Mexico City. At Casa Hooker she also found a fellow alumna of Kemper Hall. She writes, "Churchmen on vacation should be urged to hunt up our missionary work and thereby enlarge their personal interest. It is not always easy to learn where the missions are or how to find them but it is always interesting and worthwhile."

As FORTH goes to press, the National Council is having its spring meeting in New York. Progress of the Reconstruction and Advance Fund reported by the Bishop of Southern Ohio, as Chairman of the Promotion Department, gives cause for rejoicing and thanksgiving, as well as some cause for regret. The best estimate that it was possible to make indicated that seven million dollars was in sight. That leaves \$1,800,000 still to be given in the next three months.

The effectiveness of the Church's advance in the urgent days ahead requires not only adequate support but well-trained personnel. FORTH is therefore especially happy to begin in this issue a series of articles on Vocations in the Church. The first article, The New Missionary, is reprinted from a recent issue of Mademoiselle, through the courtesy of the editors of that magazine. Next month, Mrs. Lago will discuss the training of the woman Church worker.

Refugeeing from China, a few years ago, the Rev. A. Ervine Swift found a haven in the Overseas Department as assistant secretary. It is now possible for him to return to his missionary work in the Orient and he hopes, with Mrs. Swift, to return to China in the early autumn. To take his place in the Overseas Department, the National Council has appointed the Rev. Frank L. Titus, currently serving as chaplain to war brides on the *Queen Mary* (p. 12). Mr. Titus was for nearly four years chaplain

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with the 27th Infantry Division (New York) in the Pacific and saw combat in the mandated islands campaigns, the Marianas (Saipan) and on Okinawa. As Division Chaplain, he accompanied the 27th to Japan and served there for a time with the Army of Occupation. Forth expects to publish another article by Mr. Titus in an early issue dealing with his impressions of Japan. In the Overseas Department, he will have particular responsibility for selecting missionary

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hurst School in Guantanamo, Cuba, and for other urgently needed property in Latin America.

The appropriations were all made under the guidance of a special committee on the disbursement of the Reconstruction and Advance Fund which includes, among its personnel, the Hon. Francis B. Sayre, former High Commissioner of the Philippines, and Mr. Charles P. Taft of Cincinnati.

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Among the men who reported the activities on the China front during the last days of the war was Ed Souder, Jr., son of a long-time missionary in China and currently priestin-charge of St. Mary's Mission, Honolulu. Mr. Souder, from his long experience in China, both in a missionary family and as war correspondent and radio commentator, presents an objective view of the Church's present-day task in the Far East.

Another picture of the Church in China is given by Mrs. William C. Cravner, wife of the rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, York, South Carolina. Mrs. Cravner is a graduate of New York University and has done postgraduate work in Journalism both there and at Columbia.



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Today's young college women feel that because of their training, their experience, and their Christian faith, they have something worthwhile to contribute to a world in need. And they want to make that contribution where it will do the most good. For some, it is China, for others it is Africa or South America, India, Japan, or the Philippines. Stephen Deutch Photo.

The New Missionary

OT long ago Saks Fifth Avenue ran an ad about Mrs. Calhoun of Connecticut, who couldn't cope with the climate. Dressing in a tweed suit in the cool of a suburban morning, she arrived in New York in the heat of the afternoon, looking, she said, "as though I'd dressed out of a missionary box."

Of course Saks Fifth Avenue solved Mrs. Calhoun's problem with the perfect dress. But Saks' copy writers made a basic error in assuming the missionary to be the most fuddy-duddy of all females. Pictures of two smart young women about to sail for foreign mission service showed them their mistake, and they apologized with alacrity and surprise.

Saks is not to be blamed. The missionary is generally regarded as a dreary soul who may do a lot of good but doesn't have much fun. The unkindest cut of all is laid upon the unmarried lady missionary—you've heard it—she either couldn't get a man or was jilted by the one she thought she had.

These ideas are as outmoded as the missionary box and all that it stands for in the technique of foreign mission work. The girl who goes out as a missionary today is no fuddy-duddy, either in appearance, ideas or interests, and her phone rings as often as anyone's. In fact, progressive foreign mission agencies avoid like the plague the girl who has more than her share of personal problems. Banish forever the

idea of the missionary as a hopeless social misfit. It is her job to help other people live well-balanced lives. She is sure to fail if she herself is overbalanced with inhibitions. She either has personality plus or she stays at home.

She stays at home, too, unless she is certain that she cannot possibly be anything but a missionary. If her enthusiasm cools or her courage wanes, a great many people who need her help are left in the lurch—and it's a long, long way home again!

Jean Hunter, now a student at Northwestern University, was born in China, the daughter of missionaries. When she came to America to enter college, the last thing she intended was returning to China as a missionary.

"After all," she said, "I had only one life to live and I intended to shop around before I resigned myself to more of the same. I expected to marry and have a home and children—and do all the delightful, charming things I had always wanted to do.

"I came to America—to find the very same dream in the minds of the young people I met. But nowhere was there that strong bond of fellowship I had known in China.... Bang! Everything was out of focus. And the only time things are all in focus and stay that way is when I have my eyes on China.

"Some people have a call. Others survey the world's need, and when they find a spot where they can fit, that's for them. With me it's stronger than that. If you are interested in missions, more power to you! But don't become a missionary unless you can't do anything else, unless you are forced into it."

It takes more than a willing hand and heart to make a missionary. She has to be an expert at one of those jobs which must be done anywhere to keep a community healthy and happy. She may be a teacher, for learning is the key to progress in our modern world. She may be a nurse or a dietitian, for people cannot learn when their bodies are ill or improperly fed. She may be a home-economics expert or an editor, for people are kept well by happy homes and whole-some thoughts.

The qualifications of the missionary become constantly more exacting. The minimum technical training is a standard four-year college or university course, professional training, some practical experience if possible, and language study, either here or after she reaches the country to which she is assigned. She must be able to make the most of every knack, talent, and scrap of knowledge she ever had. A nutrition expert who can do doubleentry bookkeeping, or a nurse who can cure ailing automobiles is worth her weight in gold on a mission post. Most important of all, she must like people—all people!

She must be adaptable and a good

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sport, for anything can happen any time. She will be homesick, and she will work until she is exhausted. There will be dirt and disease and apathy and ignorance—and heartbreakingly little with which to combat them. She will be adequately provided for, but there will be no impressive bank balance. Come flood, drought, or war, she must stay on the job until her furlough comes around.

Helen Smith is an attractive young woman who teaches in the Wenshan School for girls, formerly located at Foochow, Fukien Province, China. In 1941 the Japanese took Foochow. Helen Smith and a hundred of her students packed their clothes and some food and set out on foot for Shaowu, 250 miles westward. They traveled through wild country infested with bandits and Japanese soldiers. Helen carried their money rolled up in the curls of her hair. As they walked at night they sang, "We are the girls of Wenshan School," so that Chinese farmers and guerrillas would not mistake them for the enemy.

In Shaowu these refugee girls became the nucleus of a new Wenshan

School. Helen came home for a furlough and a rest. While she was in America, Pearl Harbor was attacked: immediately she began contriving ways to return to China. She arrived in Calcutta in 1943. The only way into China was by plane over the Hump, and she secured permission to make the trip. Baggage was limited to thirty pounds. She was confronted with a choice between her clothes, and the vitamins and medicines she had brought for her students. Then she had it! There was no limit on the weight of the passengers. She packed her bags with the precious medical supplies and dressed in all her clothes, layer on layer. She filled her pockets with needles and thread. Then she stuffed her stockings with soap and hung them around her neck. The airfield attendant gasped when she was weighed, but no obstacles arose.

Arriving in Kunming, China, Helen was quite without transport to Shaowu, a thousand twisting miles away. Standing beside the highway, she cocked an experimental thumb—and a Chinese army truck ground to a halt.

"Take a passenger?" she cried.

"No seats," replied the driver. "You will have to sit on those boxes."

"Okay." And Helen clambered up. "Say," she called as the truck started again, "what's in these boxes?"

"Dynamite!" was the laconic reply, and off they bounced. In this fashion Helen Smith reached Shaowu, soap, vitamins and all. Heroic? Not at all, she would say. Merely part of the job.

What makes them do it—these upand-coming girls who might easily have settled for a career at home, or a suburban bungalow and the chairmanship of the Junior League? In the first place they feel that because of their training, their experience and their Christian faith, they have something worthwhile to contribute to a world in need. And they want to make that contribution where it will do the most good. For some that is China; for others it is Africa or India, Japan or the Philippines. When a Filipina grandmother reads with tears of joy streaming down her cheeks-reads and understands the printed word for the first time in her life-the missionary feels amply repaid. Or when an African mother smiles her thanks for the life of a child who would surely have died had not the care of the missionary supplanted that of the witch doctor.

In the second place, they feel that

Missionaries Begin Reconstruction Tasks



Two laymen have recently undertaken important postwar tasks for the Church in the Far East. Charles P. Gilson (left), a member of St. Matthew's Church, Evanston, Ill., until recently American Red Cross worker in the Philippines and Japan, will leave soon to be treasurer of the China Mission, with headquarters in Shanghai. A graduate of Dartmouth College, Mr. Gilson was with the Bank of America and the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., before entering the Red Cross. Elmer L. Munger (right), an engineer, of Omaha, Nebr., is now associated with J. Van Wie Bergamini, the Church's Far Eastern architect (FORTH, April, p. 14), in the reconstruction of Church property in the Philippines and China. Mr. Munger is a graduate of Kansas State College and until recently was a government flood control engineer.



China or India or whatever their adopted land has something to contribute to them. These ancient cultures have a richness and a wisdom which are threaded through the fabric of our own culture, a fact which many Americans do not even suspect.

Missionaries have long been accused of diluting fine native cultures, giving native peoples only a feeling of shame for their ancient customs. It's a grim picture that the conventional mind conjures up: the missionary lady stalking through the villages, a Bible under one arm and a black umbrella under the other, severely warning the simple people of impending brimstone and hustling them into Mother Hubbards and cotton drawers.

But whatever prudish ideas were carried by the early missionaries sprouted from the prissiness of the period in America. Today the Bible is still essential and the umbrella probably useful, but the method and outlook are different. The missionary makes a conscious effort to preserve all that is good in the culture she finds about her. This new attitude is expressed in many practical ways. If the people are used to sitting on the ground, churches are built without pews. If the economy is one of barter, mission-school students pay their fees

in grain or goods. Native languages are preserved in their purest form; indeed, since the earliest days of mission work, missionaries have been distinguished for their recording of unwritten tongues and compiling of dictionaries. Native leadership is substituted for that of the missionaries in schools and hospitals and welfare agencies as soon as possible. In fact, the missionary works to work herself out of a job, for the goal of modern missions is to help people to help themselves.

During the past years, a great many people had to help themselves in deadly earnest. Almost all the major mission fields were hot spots of the war. As reconstruction gets under way in these areas, Government officials are learning that missionaries know intimately the thoughts and troubles of the man in the street, for when crises came and businessmen and colonial governments fled, the missionaries stayed. Now their judgment is requested and respected.

The Director General of the National Health Administration of China says: "Without the fullest possible coöperation and extension of Christian medical services the achievement of the nation's hopes and plans for a comprehensive health service will be

very difficult, if not impossible, for a long time to come."

In Africa, a continent of growing influence in the world, the government of Southern Rhodesia was so impressed by the work of the mission schools in the teaching of homemaking, carpentry, and agriculture, that it established a training school for farm demonstrators. Here the graduates of the mission schools become skilled county agents.

The young woman who enters missionary service today gets in on the ground floor of the most important business ever organized—the creation of a world without war. Politics and economics, as well as religion, are her job, and she knows how to translate them into better homes and happier She lives a well-rounded life herself, and though she takes her work seriously, it needn't prevent her from waving a mean shoe or appreciating a full moon. For romance does come to the missionary, and the best arrangement of all is the young married couple, both well qualified, who decide to do a mission job together.

So don't plan to spend the day with Aunt Hilda the next time your family invites the visiting missionary to dinner. You might miss someone you'd really like to know.



The Philippine mission at Upi, where Tirurai Churchmen have been without the ministrations of the Church since before the war, is again carrying on its work with the assistance of the Rev. James P. Trotter (left) and the Rev. Edward Jacobs (right). Mr. Trotter, formerly rector of St. Paul's Church, Walnut Creek, Calif., is a graduate of the University of California and General Theological Seminary. He has been active in youth clubs, agricultural and factory work. The Rev. Edward Jacobs has been assistant at the Church of the Atonement, Chicago, Ill. Confirmed in the Greek Catholic Church, he took pretheological work at Philadelphia Divinity School, graduated from Carroll College and from Nashotah House. He has experience as an athletic instructor, teacher, and has had clinical training for work in hospitals.





The Rev. and Mrs. John H. Philbrick with one of the Angora rabbits which gives its tithe to the Church in fine Angora wool.



Many sermons have their inception as Mr. Philbrick and his wife spend an evening weaving material for fine coats and suits.

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THE REV. AND MRS. JOHN H. P.

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THE good earth, the good husbandman, and heaven over all, is the triune relationship which the rector of the Church of St. John the Evangelist in Duxbury, on the shores of Massachusetts Bay, holds to be a solvent of major problems presented by the rural parish.

With his wife, Helen-Louise, the Rev. John Hatch Philbrick started to put his philosophy into practice four vears ago when he bought a farm of ten acres, reasoning that a rural parson can best minister to his people if he understands and shares their problems, pays taxes, has an interest in the local grange, and that stake in community life that home ownership alone can give. But the principles underlying Faith Homestead, as the Philbricks call their one hundred-yearold house with its surrounding fields and gardens, its goat house, hennery, and rabbit hutches, go even deeper. There is the ethical aspect of being a contributor and not merely a consumer, of not taking more than one's share in a world where need stalks; but, instead, showing that a household can be practically self-sustaining and a guide to others toward attainment of a measure of security in an insecure world.

Inevitably a rural parish offers the choice of trying to make it a small copy of a city parish or of capitalizing local conditions and adapting the parish to its environment. Mr. and Mrs. Philbrick have chosen the latter course as more honest and challeng-

ing; infinitely harder work but more rewarding. They have the firm conviction that they are called to be of use in a rural parish.

Their rambling little farmhouse, simple and unpretentious, answers the first of the three basic needs of people everywhere: shelter, food, and clothing. It has a relationship with people of the past and sympathetic kinship with people of the present.

As to food, certain premises were made at the start: it must be simple and nourishing, without the superfluities that add nothing to its value; and, as far as possible, everything must be raised on the farm. The answer has been a grocery bill pared down to surprisingly few items, for Faith Homestead provides its own eggs, meat, dairy products, fruits, vegetables, herbs, and salads.

Deciding for the goat, "poor man's cow and rich man's pet," as the basis of their dairy, they find the milk indistinguishable from cows' milk when the goats are correctly fed, and a rich source of cream, cheese, cottage and American style, butter, and, from the kids, meat. So enthusiastic are they about goats, of which they have



Indefatigable Helen-Louise Philbrick takes a hand at shingling the goathouse.

twelve, that, in common with other goat owners they have tried (unsuccessfully) to interest UNRRA in sending these serviceable animals who give so large a return for so little outlay, to starvation areas of Europe.

The pig furnishes bacon, pork, and cooking fat and disposes of the garbage. Perhaps it should be "pigs" for two



The Rev. John H. Philbrick believes that a rural parson can best minister to his people if he understands their problems.



Acutely aware of want and suffering, the Philbricks urge that goats because of their economy be sent to starvation areas.

s This Country Parson

ICK HELP A WORLD IN WANT

IcCormick, Boston Globe



On the way to the compost bin, for no commercial fertilizer is used on the farm.

neighbors board theirs at the Homestead; these growing shoats are named Faith and Hope while the Philbricks' own pig is appropriately called Charity. The naming of the livestock gives outlet for a spirited sense of humor: the Great Dane is Samson; two cats, Rotunda and Delilah; a couple of haughty geese merit, Cabot and Lowell in honor of the old quatrain; Charles and Mary Lamb are just what they should be.

Hand looms, one of them 136 years old and the other home built, help to supply the third basic need, clothing. Handsome, *long-wearing suits and coats result from them and there is always a web in place since both Mr. and Mrs. Philbrick find that throwing a shuttle is conducive to thought. It even helps the composition of sermons, and unbiased testimony says they are good ones. While a few sheep have been added recently to the farm, the initial vote was for Angora rabbits whose plucked wool is spun, wound into balls, then knit or woven as climax of a sequence of processes which may include dveing from vegetable dyes. Because it is long staple, it is non-shedding. This wool, if sold, is valued at \$11 a pound, raw; \$40 a pound (\$2.50 the ounce) as spun yarn; and \$96 a pound as knit mittens! The babies' bootees and mittens made from this fairy wool are marvelous little articles, but it takes a lot of them to weigh a pound.

There is plenty of fun and comfort along with the hard work, and satisfaction in winning other families to bake their own bread, keep a pig, put down eggs against the certain scarcity of winter, to learn to weave as a constructive craft. Definite by-products are the healthy life, and—most highly prized—constant opportunity to experiment and learn, "to have our curiosity continually aroused and then gratified." One of these experiments is with fertilizer, of which none is purchased, and with their New Zealand type of compost box.

Last winter, in the dearth of teachers, Mr. Philbrick taught mathematics in the local high school. Such contacts, giving the "one of us" feeling, help the parish; the special services for the firemen, the Masons, the Odd Fellows, and work with the 4-H Clubs mean more to the Philbricks, too. The program is a heavy one; it could not be carried on without youth, vigor, a love of nature and animals, and wholehearted consecration to an idea that does not obstruct the horizon. Certainly the parish benefits, as teamwork and confirmations bear witness.

Coöperative neighborliness is a characteristic of Faith Homestead and no description is complete without emphasis of Mr. and Mrs. Philbrick's willingness to share, the benefits of the Farmers' Coöperative, for example.

"To labor is to pray" and is the secret of a craftsmanship that is organically related to nature on the one hand and to religion on the other. A wise man said that; he might well think Faith Homestead is an exemplar.



The Church welcomes British wives; sixty-one per cent are Church of England members.

OR today's parish priest, it is possible to have a parish of 2,300 communicants all within 300 yards of your door—that is, if you are the chaplain of the *Queen Mary*. My parishioners are the overseas wives and children of Army veterans, who are being brought to the United States to make their homes with their husbands and fathers.

The Queen Mary makes a trip from Southampton, England, to New York every two weeks. During the five and a half days the wives are aboard, a crowded program of orientation is given them. An Army staff directs it, including a WAC captain, who has charge of all personnel problems, ten women workers of the American Red Cross, and other Army personnel, including the chaplain.

When the women come aboard the Queen Mary, they are separated into groups which meet in the main lounge

for an introduction to the ship. The chaplain speaks to them and gives each one a printed word of greeting, with an attached religious census card to be filled out and returned to his

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We welcome each of you individually. Yeare one of the many thousands of brief of our servicemen who are arriving from the British Isles, continental Europe, Austral New Zealand, and other places to make you home here. . . . It is natural that you should feel strange in new surroundings, but we way you to know that you are among friends at to feel at home. . . . You will encounter somew customs, but you will find many things remind you of home. You will find that

office. These cards have shown that sixty-one per cent of the overseas wives are communicants of the Church of England who will be wanting to make their future church home in the Episcopal Church.

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On one trip Chaplain Titus baptized fourteen children of American servicemen.

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An average of four hundred girls come to Devotions at nine o'clock each morning for half an hour in the main lounge. About fifty attend the Celebration of Holy Communion at eleven in one of the smaller lounges. The largest group, around seven hundred, comes at four in the afternoon



A veteran welcomes his overseas bride and child to new life in his home and parish.

when the chaplain speaks about building Christian homes. When Sundays occur on board, there are services of Holy Communion and Morning Prayer. Recently, one of the wives organized a choir of twenty-five members.

Many of the wives ask for personal consultation with the chaplain. They take with them from the ship the Bibles and other religious literature available to them. On one trip there were fourteen baptisms. In addition to these duties, the chaplain, aided by a volunteer group of wives, sends a card to the church in the locality where each bride will live.

It is an exciting task, helping these overseas wives become adjusted to the new life which is before them. Most of them have previous religious training, and are members of parishes in the British Isles. But most do not realize that the Episcopal Church is the name of their Church in this country. A poster on the signboard of the ship, supplementing the chaplain's instruction, helps them understand that we welcome them. It is for us to bring them into the Church in America.



Attendance is large at services and at Chaplain's talks on Christian family life.



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Radio, newspapers, and services brought the Church to Mississippi war workers.

CHURCH PIONEERS AGAIN IN RURAL MISSISSIPPI

THE awakening of European Churches to pioneer leadership during the recent war was paralleled by less spectacular but no less important pioneering of certain Churches in our own country. In one rural area centered around Aberdeen, Mississippi, necessity became the mother of inventions which have proved themselves of lasting value.

The Rev. Charles G. Hamilton, rector of St. John's Church in Aberdeen,

watched with concern as members of that area left for the armed service and war industry, and as gas rationing hindered travel to outlying towns which needed the Church. It was time for new methods to meet the changing situation. The first resource tapped was radio, a means of reaching the isolated who might have only one service a month. Beginning on a humble monthly basis, a service was broadcast which soon became the cen-

tral service, heard throughout the region. Now every Sunday afternoon, a quiet service of worship with a short address reaches listeners of widely different race and Church affiliation in a quarter of one State and several counties in two others, a congregation several times as large as the diocesan membership.

Newspapers were the next aid to be enlisted. Weekly sermons reached churchgoers and non-churchgoers alike, traveling across the world to soldiers and sailors. Mr. Hamilton even adopted a new vocation, that of teacher, for the high school was sadly lacking in acceptable leadership. In his history classes, he established a new and deeper contact with the youth of his vicinity.

These innovations were made in order to continue the work of past years in and around Aberdeen. At the same time, new situations were forming in this seat of great wartime activity. Columbus Army Air Field, devoid of pastoral work, became a new center of endeavor. Servicemen enthusiastically supported Church services, especially during Lent, and welcomed visits and personal contacts with Mr, Hamilton,

War industry, the Gulf Ordnance Plant, a shell loading plant in Prairie, transformed a sleepy village into a thriving community with no religious facilities provided by Government housing plans. Mr. Hamilton held services here, as a community pastor, through which many heretofore strangers were introduced to the beauty of Episcopal worship. In the Sunday school and recreational program, he was assisted by two women, a Presbyterian and a Methodist, sent as full-time religious workers to the area.

Throughout the wartime period, Mr. Hamilton continued work at the seven churches he had been serving for a dozen years. If his schedule was heavy, much was learned from it. The radio, the newspapers will continue to be increasingly helpful media for the word of God. Those people who met the Church during their sojourn in Mississippi have a new dimension in their lives. And the Church rediscovered the meaning of adjusting itself to meet the needs of its people.

S the red-tinted sun came up over the hills of western Hunan, hundreds of Chinese soldiers crouched on a low hillock near the entrance to a valley in watchful waiting. Three times during the night just passed, waves of shouting, ragged lao pings had charged the narrow pass, one hundred yards away, only to be swept back by the murderous crossfire of Japanese machine guns. Losses were mounting rapidly, and still no ground had been gained. But now, with the rising sun, a new, tense hope was felt in every heart, for word had passed among them that American planes were on their way.

Mission Completed

Suddenly the drone of engines bummed through the sultry air. Enemy gun-muzzles turned skyward with staccato bursts. Among the Chinese troops, tension gave way to hysteria; men clambered to their feet, shouting encouragement. No one noticed as alert Jap snipers began picking them off at sitting-duck range. Now, with a fascinating laziness, the P-51s rolled over on their backs, peeled off, and came screaming down, one by one, slim, deadly noses aimed straight at Japanese pass emplacements. Spouts of carmine dust appeared in the midst of the enemy ranks, then suffocating clouds of black and red fire; small fragmentation bombs cut a swathe through Japanese ranks. Twice, three times, four times, the Jap strongpoint was wreathed in smoke and flames and sudden dust. The Japanese reeled, staggered, then leaped to their feet and ran. No man could stay in that inferno and live. The American P-51s had carried out their assignment.

The pass was not taken, however, not that day, nor the next. It finally fell after another week of more Chinese deaths, and only because the Japanese, with retreats elsewhere along the sector, had voluntarily withdrawn from their key positions. What had happened? During the moments following the departure of the strafing planes, when the pass had been open for the taking, the Chinese troops had not followed up their momentary advantages. Precious time had been lost, the Japanese rallied, and in a determined counterassault went back into the positions from which they had just



Mr. Souder interviews Dr. Ch'a Liang-chien, leading Chinese jurist.

For China: The Time is Now!

By ED SOUDER, Jr.

been driven. The ensuing week constituted a lesson for the Chinese that was both needless and costly.

Half a Job Accomplished

In China and the Far East, our missions face a similar situation. Half the job of bringing peace and a return to freedom had been accomplished. We must now make sure that what we have fought for and attained will not be lost again through carelessness and negligence. Postwar China needs missions as tangible aid and good will from the West. Even more important, she wants them as never before.

Early this past October, I sat at the bedside of the Rev. Milton Lin. It was just a few days before his death. Already tuberculosis had so weakened him he could hardly speak. But his words were full of courage. "I must, I will get well," he said. "There is so much to do."

He spoke of the terrible destruction brought down upon his beloved Wuhan cities by Allied bombers, of how his family had been scattered, of friends and parishioners killed in the raids. I asked him how his people felt about America, whether they harbored any resentment for the sufferings our bombers had brought upon them. His answer came in a voice overflowing with emotion: "American planes, your planes brought hope to our hearts. Without them there would have been no end to tyranny, no real peace again."

Gigantic Task Faces China

During that visit to Hankow and Wuchang, I saw something of the gigantic task of rebuilding that faces postwar China. As I surveyed the shambles that our bombs had made of once-lovely St. Paul's Cathedral, heard stories of the deaths of many women and children when a bomb struck the school adjoining St. John the Baptist's, I knew that American Christians must not, can not break faith with men like Milton Lin. He had seen those days

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AMINE is stalking the world. Today, more people, five hundred million, a quarter of all the human beings on earth, face starvation than in all the war years combined. We have seen their faces: the hunger-pinched faces of boys and girls holding out their empty soup bowls; the babies with big eyes and sharp ribs; the haggard mothers searching for food among garbage dumps; the lifeless men by the roadside; all victims of famine. All this human need and suffering, once it is known and understood, wins a ready response from any normal human being. But the Christian runs to meet it. For the Christian it represents our Lord, Himself, who is saying, "I am hungry."

In this present crisis, the Ch

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Modern China wants closer and strengthening relations between China and America. Lt. W. O. S. Sutherland, Jr. (left, below),



son of president of East Carolina's Woman's Auxiliary, visits Bishop Y. Y. Tsu (center). Mike Peng (below) was "Voice of China."



China's Time is Now!---continued

of heartbreak and personal tragedy as a necessary prelude to returning peace; but he believed too that the America which had turned destroyer in the cause of peace would not fail China in the job of rebuilding.

The next five years represent a crucial period in the determination of future Sino-Japanese relations.

During that time, we will come to know and appreciate each other, to work together for harmony among nations, or, through misunderstandings and self-interest we will drift apart, imperiling everything we have just suffered so much to gain. Today confusion, uprootedness, dire poverty are key words for China's average citizen in every phase of living; he looks to us for guidance and assistance. We dare not disappoint him.

Ambassadors of Good Will

Events of the war proved conclusively the success of American missionaries as ambassadors of good will, builders of fine international relations. Their work over the years came dramatically to life as it paved the way for Allied forces time after time. Scores of American pilots, shot down behind enemy lines, owe their lives to the selfless courage of Chinese Christians, Former missionaries became invaluable advisers to the military. Among the men and women who served their nation most faithfully during the war, no group ranks higher than that of the Chinese Christians. I call to mind particularly a young man named Mike Peng, who learned English and was educated at Boone. Mike was the "Voice of China" throughout the war, his voice heard on Chungking broadcasts the world around.

Heartening too was the perseverance, courage, and faithfulness of Christians not lucky enough to escape occupied portions of China. Although powerless to prevent enemy depredations, William Yuin kept faithful records all through the war of the condition of Boone College properties, now part of Hua Chung College (FORTH, Oct., 1944, p. 16). He made frequent trips from his Wuchang home

to Boone to see what was happening to the various buildings and installations, courageously protesting to the authorities in a ceaseless, if vain effort to halt the increasing pillage. During my trip to Wuchang just after the war, I found a big American flag flying over Boone's gymnasium. Bill Yuin had taken it home with him as the Japanese first entered Wuchang. Three times his house was searched, but the flag, tucked away under his mattress, was not found. With the end of the war, Bill put the flag under his arm, walked briskly over to Boone, and ran that flag right back up where, in his heart, he felt it belonged.

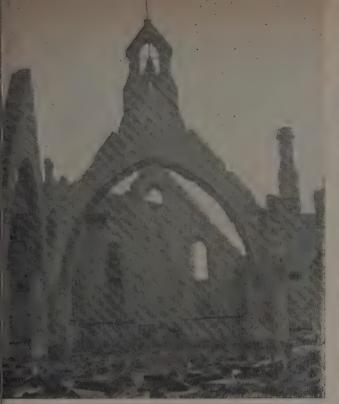
I saw the same thing in the little walled town of Tungchow. Changteh, scene of some of the bloodiest fighting of the war, utterly devastated by three tremendous pitched battles, had missionaries and Church activities going the very same day that Chinese troops retook the city.

All along the line it was the same story. The worth of missionary effort was more than demonstrated during the years of war. For us the postwar period is one of opportunity and obligation. China will face an era of bitter disillusionment if we fail in our duty, an era that will lead to estrangement unless through our missions we double the efforts toward positive good will and assistance which missions have brought in the past.

The Big Question Mark

It is my feeling that our missionary effort will, in the next few years, have to stress one side of its nature more than ever before, tangible action. Workers with a knowledge of medicine, those who can build, those who can teach, those who can assist the Chinese in the attainment of their manifold physical needs must take their place alongside religious leaders. Impersonal relief is not enough; the situation calls for individual attention and devotion. Milton Lin saw American planes flatten St. Paul's: I think he would want us to rebuild an even more beautiful cathedral as a tangible proof of our intention to stand by his people.

The big question mark in China Continued on page 29



All that remain of St. Paul's Cathedral, Hankow, China, are the altar, the bell, and the cross on the fleche tower. Through the arch of the north crossing, at the left, is the house where the Rt. Rev. Alfred A. Gilman now lives.

Bishops of the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui meet for the first time since 1941, in Shanghai (FORTH, May, p. 27). (I to r) K. H. Michael Chang, Fukien; Addison K. S. Hsu, Assistant, Kwangsi-Hunan; A. A. Gilman, Hankow; Robin T. S. Chen, Assistant, Anking; Y. Y. Tsu, Yun-Kwei; Lindel T'sen, Honan; W. P. Roberts, Shanghai; Lloyd R. Craighill, Anking; Ronald O. Hall, Hongkong; T. A. Scott, North China. RNS Photo.



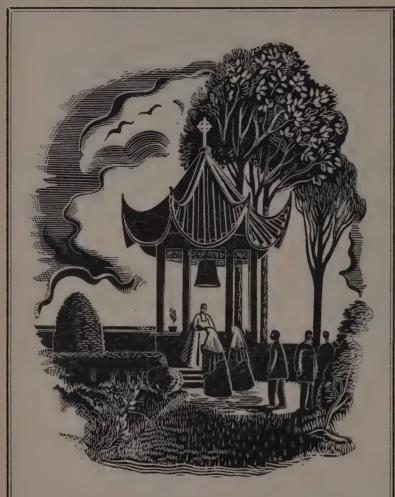


Dude ranchers as well as summer campers flock to services, conducted by the Rev. Alexander E. Pawla, at the picturesque log cabin Chapel of the Transfiguration, at Moose, Wyoming, in Teton National Park. An oldtime stagecoach, rocking over the sagebrush trail, followed by a colorful array of horsemen, regularly brings ranchers to church. RNS Photo.

THE CHURCH IN THE NEWS OF THE WORLD

The Rev. George F. Packard, missionary in Colombia, recently received this portable altar, given by Trinity Church, Towson, Md., and sent by the Woman's Auxiliary of Maryland. The altar was designed by Mrs. Packard. The map above the altar shows the vast territory Mr. Packard travels by mule, motor, and airplane (FORTH, March, p. 16) to minister to Churchmen.





ST. LIOBA'S BELL RINGS IN NEW JOY

By MARIE CRAVNER

HE picturesque bell tower, which stands in the center of the compound lawn, its graceful horned roof pointing suggestively upward, has come to symbolize the Convent of St. Lioba in Wuhu, China. The Sisters of the Transfiguration have won a reputation from all the surrounding

countryside for their faithful work among the poor and for their home for orphan children. When the Japanese overran Wuhu, they stayed loyally with their destitute friends, serving as best they could. Even then, however, several years before the United States entered the war, Sister Constance Anna and Sister Louise Magdalene began laying plans for the evacuation from Wuhu which they knew was inevitable.

As the complexity of the situation increased, they found a new location in Free China to which Sister Louise Magdalene with several Chinese sisters went to set up new work. Sister Constance tarried in Wuhu to place the Chinese babies with private families and the Roman Catholic Spanish sisters, and to store and dispose of Church property. Just before she was ready to leave, she supervised the careful burial of the beloved bell, so that no one could find it when they had abandoned the compound.

Sister Constance never did reach Free China. The rains prevented all travel, then the attack on Pearl Harbor tesulted in her internment, first in the compound, then in Shanghai. "Three years, eight months, and one week, we were prisoners," she writes. "They called us refugees, but being under lock and key we were like prisoners." All this time it was her dream to return to St. Lioba's, where she had labored so many years.

At last the time of release came, August, 1945, followed by a period of waiting in Shanghai, while Japanese signed the surrender, a time to become accustomed to freedom once more. Transportation to and from Shanghai was extremely difficult. People were flocking to the city to sell their rice at a big profit, and buy other goods to take back into the interior. Trains were packed to the roof, with people even perched up there. Fortunately, the Chinese government was anxious for all missionaries to get back to their stations.

The Japanese were still in the compound of St. Lioba's Mission when Sister Constance returned to Wuhu, although some of the buildings had been vacated. She found the lovely chapel unharmed, needing only cleaning and a few repairs. The beautiful trees still stood, although the flowers were all gone. The benches were moved out, most of them into the yard; the crosses had been removed except for one gray cross the color of the brick above the convent door which the Japanese had overlooked. Enough cement was left, however, to make

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The Rt. Rev. Frank W. Creighton of Michigan visits with Sister Claire (left) and Sister Rhoda (right) at the Grace Merritt Stewart School for Girls, Port-au-Prince, Haiti.

BISHOP VISITS HAITIAN CHURCH

A CONFERENCE held in Jamaica by British and American bishops of the Caribbean area made an opportunity for the Presiding Bishop's representative, the Rt. Rev. Frank W. Creighton of Michigan, formerly Bishop of Mexico, to visit Haiti. In Port-au-Prince he preached in Holy Trinity Cathedral, where services begin at four in the morning, visited the Grace Merritt Stewart School for Girls, directed by the Sisters of St. Margaret, and met with the seminarians, whose dean, the Very Rev. John Grosvenor Dahl, he had ordained in Michigan. Dean Dahl is the only non-Haitian on the clergy staff except the Bishop, C. Alfred Voegeli.

The Haitian Episcopal Church includes sixty country missions. Some of them are thatched and whitewashed, like St. Hilary's at Petite Rivière, under Archdeacon Dumont E. Morisseau. Others have more substantial walls and roof, with airy spaces for ventilation, such as St. John's, Savanette, another of Archdeacon Morisseau's missions, which was recently completed.

More than six hundred persons are confirmed or received into the Haitian Episcopal Church within a year.



St. Hilary's, Petite Rivière (above), serves large congregation.



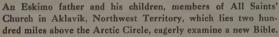
St. John's, Savanette (above), is recently completed rural mission.



Bishop Creighton visits students (above) at seminary (below).









These Eskimo children are typical of the younger generation who, since birth, have known the influence of Christianity, brought to their fathers by Anglican missionaries in Canada.

TOP OF THE CONTINENT HOLDS SURPRISES

By AUBREY FULLERTON

PEOPLE who go to the top of the continent expecting to find it a region of year-round cold and desolation find many surprises. If they stay there through a winter they will see something of what they expected, for then the Arctic world freezes over, all outdoors turns into a desert of white, and at the height of the season night lasts all day.

Even at that, the Arctic does not go dead. Life goes on, with a winter schedule as regular as that of any other season—which is itself one of the Arctic's greatest wonders.

The Eskimos, who are native to that surprising region at the top edge of America and who prefer it to any other country imaginable, learned long since to adapt themselves to its conditions. They are on terms of complete understanding and friendliness with Nature.

White people wintering in Arctic areas take their cue from the Eskimos and, doing so, get through the cold weather season quite well. Consider. for example, the missionaries of the Diocese of the Arctic and their solution to the problem of housing.

It happens sometimes in the course of a missionary's winter travel by dogsled to distant parts of his parish that he is overtaken by approaching night, which comes early in the dim twilight of the North. He may be many miles from any human habitation, and all around him is an unbroken expanse of snowy emptiness.

Then he builds himself a house for the night, picking a site for it where there is a good bank of wind-packed snow to serve as a quarry. He and his native guide cut from this hard snow solid blocks five or six inches thick and twenty inches long, with which they are to do their masonry work. They lay a circle of these blocks on the open level and then build upon the first row in spiral fashion, narrowing to the top until they have a dome-shaped hut six feet or more in height. When they have filled the cracks in this crude masonry with loose snow and cut a hole at the bot-



At Tuktuyooaktok, an Arctic coast village, the Rev. Thomas Umaok, only ordained Eskimo in Canada, serves a devout congregation. Native Alaskan, he has lived in the Northwest since youth.



Religious News Service Photos

The Woman's Auxiliary of All Saints' Church, Aklavik, opens a richer and wider horizon to Eskimo women. Here they cut up cloth for garments for distribution to members of congregation.

tom for a doorway, their house is complete. The two men spend the night in it very comfortably, well wrapped in furs, and go on their way next morning, repeating the process as may be necessary farther on.

In houses of snow, or *igloos*, built after this plan, hundreds of Eskimo families in the more remote parts of the Far North live all winter. When summer comes they move into huts or tents made of deer or seal skins, with such pieces of wood as they may be able to get for supports or roofing. For the Arctic really has a summertime after the early part of June, for about ten weeks, when all this desolate frigidity gives way to warmth and color and abounding life.

At this time, instead of perennial cold, there comes to the Top Edge country a succession of long and glorious summer days with the temperature often nearing one hundred degrees. This warmth brings outdoor beauty, natural flowerbeds laid on a grand scale from Alaska to Greenland. In them one will see wild daisies, but-

tercups, Iceland poppies, bluebells, Arctic chrysanthemums, forget-menots, dandelions. The so-called Barren Lands, a vast area east of the Mackenzie River, are treeless indeed, but richly carpeted with grasses and flowers, berry bushes, and patches of heather and moss.

These are wonders of the sub-Arctics, between the last line where trees will grow and the shoreline of the Arctic Ocean. Even at the barren top, valleys reach inland with flowers growing in sheltered nooks. Still farther north and beyond the Arctic shore line, sixty varieties of blossoming plants have been listed on Herschel Island, off the Alaska-Yukon coast.

"Come and see our vegetable garden," residents say proudly to the summer visitor at Aklavik, the mission and trading post near the mouth of the Mackenzie River, well past the Arctic Circle. And they exhibit potatoes and cabbages growing in a supposedly frigid region.

The explanation of all the sub-Arctic luxuriance is the long sunlight bath each summer. For this is the land of the Midnight Sun, where for nearly three months, offsetting the three-month winter night, there is no darkness. When the season is at its peak the sun shines continuously on a twenty-four-hour schedule. After mid-July, when the days would otherwise be shortening, they are prolonged by the sun's refraction, which in that latitude is very marked.

"It was hard to decide when one day ended and another began," wrote one Arctic traveler, "or when it was time to go to bed. When we did retire and in due course awoke, another difficulty presented itself. Did we go to bed today? Or was it yesterday?"

The continuous light and sunshine of the midnight sun is one of the Arctic's major wonders. Under a sun that works overtime, not only does Nature become astonishingly active ashore, but on the Arctic Sea itself the ice loosens from the shore line, cracks, and rots away, opening out to sea as far as eye can reach.

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Eskimos take to the water as soon as the ice clears away in early July and make the best of a short navigation season. They coast along the shore in any available craft, one-man kayaks, homemade from sealskin, or imported canoes and boats. From the good fishing in Arctic waters, comes a large part of the native food supply. On the mainland and on the islands beyond which stretch into an archipelago of unknown size caribou roam and bird life is abundant.

So different is the Top Edge

country, in its summer garb, from the desolate region one had expected to see that one is moved to ask: Can this really be the Arctic? But at the end of August the glory and beauty of the Arctic summertime fade and wane. By mid-September darkening winter has closed in again, to stay until the early part of June. Even through the all-night winter, however, the Eskimos, who love their Arctic homeland, will still be happy and busy. They are, in fact, the greatest of the Arctic's wonders.

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CHURCHMEI



Houston-Pix, Courtesy Collier's The Hon. A. S. Mike Monroney, winner of Collier's Award, gave his \$10,000 prize to Diocess of Oklahoma.

Y/ITHOUT the renewed help of religion and its teachings, it will be pretty hard for the world to recover from the latest war or to prevent the next one," stated Representative A. S. Mike Monroney, a winner Collier's Award for Distinguished Congressional Service. Congressman Monroney, Democrat from Oklahoma, and member of St. Paul's Cathedral, Oklahoma City, knowing that the Diocese of Oklahoma needed funds for construction of a Diocesan Center spoke these words as he gave his \$10,000 prize money to the Bishop of Oklahoma, the Rt. Rev. Thomas Casady. The Center is to be the focal point for worship, education, training, and relaxation for the people of the diocese. A thirty-five-acre site with a large lake already has been purchased, on which will be erected a church, school buildings, and dormitories, with an athletic field and swimming pool close by.

All this Mr. Monroney knew, so when he was selected to receive the Collier Award, along with a silver plaque presented by President Truman, he remembered his Church at home.

These Awards were instituted this year for the purpose of "stimulating the people's concern with the quality and effectiveness of their representa-

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tives in Washington and to inspire the legislators themselves to higher levels of statesmanship and service." One is given to a Senator and one to a Congressman. A committee of fourteen men, with Owen D. Young as chairman, scrutinized the two bodies of Congress during the past year for men who were more than politicians; men who had become statesmen by their ability to put national interests above personal ones, with integrity, political courage, and by actual achievements and public influence.

The men were not considered by themselves, isolated from the problems immediately before them in Congress and before the world. It was their ability to discern what most needed attention beyond the interests of the home district, and their willingness to struggle for such issues, that formed the basis for the Awards.

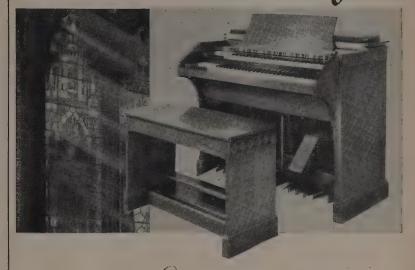
The Committee weighed public statements, examined voting records, studied legislative acts, checked private polls, and selected Mike Monroney.

The forty-four-year-old Congressman was elected to the House in 1938, after following a varied career in business. He started out as a newspaperman and became political writer for the *Oklahoma News*. He was running a furniture business, when the voters of Oklahoma selected him to be their representative in Congress. "He looked upon this people's choice as a vocation for him to fill, not a personal career," says Bishop Casady in speaking of Mr. Monroney's entrance into politics.

The Oklahoman Representative from the outset showed what his intentions were. His first year of office, that fatal year, 1939, he voted for the fortification of Guam, which the popular voice opposed. Two years before the war's end, 1943, he repeatedly stressed the urgency of permanent peace machinery. As early as 1941, Mr. Monroney was concerned about inflation. He labored, too, for American participation in the Bretton Woods Plan and the United Nations.

His largest work, though, has been his part in Congressional reform. Through the past year he has served Continued on page 26

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THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1901 IN SAN FRANCISCO

By Bishop Louis C. Sanford

REMINISCENCES OF GENERAL CONVENTIONS

By Dr. Arthur B. Kinsolving

[Dr. Kinsolving is the Nestor of the Diocese of Maryland, and has attended eleven General Conventions.]

DR. THEODORE EDSON'S JOURNALS OF THE GENERAL CONVENTIONS OF 1838 AND 1844

With Notes by Dr. E. Clowes Chorley

[These were very critical Conventions, and Dr. Edson was a Deputy to both.]

THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1814

By Dr. Walter H. Stowe

[This was the first General Convention of the period of the "Great Awakening" which is usually dated from 1811.]

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as vice-chairman of a joint study committee, and has fostered legislation for the reform of the organization and procedures of Congress.

Typical of the modest and quiet way he has of treating his achievements, Mike Monroney wrote his mother to listen to the radio program which was to broadcast the presentation of Awards. Mrs. Monroney, thinking her son was merely going to make a speech, was overwhelmed with the news. In the same way, the Congressman notified Bishop Casady, telephoning beforehand to say he wished the award money to be given to the Diocesan Center. He and the Bishop are good friends, and the Oklahoman has been a regular and interested Church attendant at the Cathedral since his confirmation there in 1937. Bishop Casady, commenting on his friend's abilities, stated that one of his outstanding characteristics is moral courage. "While slow in reaching judgments," he added, "when they are made he is fearless in defending them and absolutely uninfluenced by selfish interests."

The Bishop's characterization of Mr. Monroney as an utterly genuine and extremely friendly person is agreed to by the people who knew him in former days. The people back home in Oklahoma City where he was born and educated regard him as a hometown Congressman.

Despite his quiet demeanor and unassuming ways Mr. Monroney is a man's man. Mike is not his real name but one he selected after an unfortunate incident and later had legalized. Christened Almer Stillwell, he lived with that name until he entered high school. The school's office force thought he was a girl and he wound up in a girls' gym class. After that he became Mike! And to his colleagues in Congress he is Mike, hardworking, serious, award-winning Mike.

Alexander Guerry, Vice-Chancellor of the University of the South, Sewanee, was recently named president of the Southern University Conference, composed of forty-six colleges, at its annual meeting in Memphis....

Thomas Wheat, of Brooklyn, N. Y., became the first postwar member of the Church Army when he was com-

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missioned recently by the Presiding Eishop in the Chapel of the Church Missions House, New York. Captain Wheat, a graduate of Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, was a Church Army cadet when he was called into the Navy as a radio technician. . . .

Paul L. Ward, Ph.D., who last year received a provisional missionary appointment (Forth, November, 1945. p. 14), will sail soon for China to join the teaching staff of Central China College, Wuchang. A former history teacher at Harvard, Radcliffe, and Russell Sage Colleges, Dr. Ward had an active part in the cloak and dagger exploits of the OSS during the war. . . . Edith M. Hutton, who also received a provisional appointment to teach at Central China College (FORTH, April, p. 12), will sail for China this summer in order to arrive for the opening of the fall term. As Chinese Churchmen greet new friends, they also bid farewell to those who have been long associated with them. The National Council recently expressed its deep gratitude to Dr. Claude M. Lee,

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- Whitsunday
- 16 Church of the Air. Columbia Network, 10 a.m. E.D.S.T. The Rev. W. H. Aulenbach
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China's Time is Now! Continued from page 18

today is the attitude of the educated youth, susceptible in many parts of formerly occupied China to disillusionment, even bitterness. Forced by the events of the war into a sort of awe and admiration of America, Chinese young people are watching our every move closely for signs of vacillation, weakness, lack of policy and positive action. It is good-neighborly, Christian leadership which alone will make a lasting impression on this allimportant segment of the population. Our missionary effort during the postwar period, it seems to me, not only should emphasize a new and tangible zeal, but also should assume a new accent on youth. Chinese Christian youth proved itself in war, and in youth is the hope of the Chinese Church of the future.

St. Lioba's Bell Rings Continued from page 20

new crosses to replace those taken away. Sister Constance anxiously reclaimed the property, just in time to prevent further destruction. After moving safely back into the convent, she wrote,

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Brazilian Church Progressive

"DEMOCRATIC and progressive" was the reply of Suffragan Bishop Athalicio Pithan of Southern Brazil to a question put to him regarding the current political campaign, according to the Brazilian newspaper which carried the statement: "In accord with repeated instructions," the Bishop said, "all our Church's clergy, members, and adherents have full liberty to affiliate with any party and to give their vote according to the dictates of their individual consciences." Local comment was favorable, "It expresses succinctly our Church's position in regard to politics in a place where such an attitude is almost unknown."

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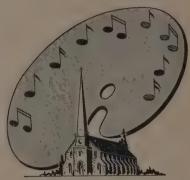
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Mr. Johnston died at the age of ninety-three in Delaware Hospital which he helped to found more than fifty years ago. Three years ago he retired from his position as vice-president of the Wilmington Trust Company. An outstanding figure in Wilmington banking circles, Mr. Johnston also practiced law for many years. He was one of the oldest members of the bar in Delaware.

Delaware Hospital His Pride

A community project dear to Mr. Johnston's heart was the Delaware Hospital. He was very active in promoting the work and growth of this institution, serving on the board of trustees since 1893 in many different capacities, including president of the board and chairman of the finance committee. In recent years he retained his interest and activity in connection with the hospital as honorary trustee.

Mr. Johnston was the oldest member of the State Society of the Cincinnati of Pennsylvania, having become a member of that organization at the age of twenty-three. The office of honorary president of that society was created in 1933 for the express purpose of honoring Mr. Johnston for his long service as an officer of the society.

Churches Receive Bequests

Mr. Johnston was a devout Churchman and served as vestryman of Trinity Church, Wilmington, for many years. The Diocese has learned with gratitude that he left two bequests to the churches he attended in Wilmington. The sum of \$5,000 was left to the endowment fund of St.



The late Tilghman Johnston

Andrew's Church in memory of Mr. Johnston's mother, Jane Tilghman Johnston and his sister, Alice Erwin Johnston. An equal amount was left to the endowment fund of Trinity Church in memory of his wife, Fannie Sillyman Johnston.

Thus a devoted Churchman continues his interest in the maintenance of these two important parishes through years to come.

Summer Services Announced For Bethany Beach Chapel

During the months of July and August St. Martin's Chapel, Bethany Beach, will be open for Sunday services. This chapel has been very popular among summer residents since it was opened in 1940. Nearly every Sunday throughout the summer the church is filled at eleven o'clock.

During the month of July this year the Rev. Paul A. Kellogg, rector of Christ Church, Dover, and his family will be in residence at the rectory and Mr. Kellogg will officiate at all the services.

The Rt. Rev. John E. Hines, Bishop Coadjutor of Texas, will be in residence with his family at the chapel

Old Swedes Center Purchases Projector

The Christian Community Center of Old Swedes, in the planned expansion of its facilities for the spring and summer program to be offered to young people in the vicinity of Old Swedes Church, has purchased an Army type motion picture projector, to be a permanent fixture of the center. Motion pictures will be shown each Wednesday evening at 7:15.

The projector will be operated by a paid staff of center youths, who will be trained for this purpose in line with the belief of the director of the center and his associates that useful information and training in useful skills can be successfully combined with entertainment. Since the projector is equipped for sound, its use will make possible the showing of all types of educational and entertainment films.

Film catalogues have been submitted to the various groups meeting at the center, who, with their leaders, will list choices of pictures desired. These choices will be supplemented by a wide variety of educational and entertainment films selected by Charles I. Davis Jr., director of the center, and by other adult leaders.

The experience of the Training Commands of the Army and Navy during the war years has been that motion pictures lead the list of means by which arts, crafts and mechanical skills can be successfully taught. The Christina Community Center of Old Swedes feels that it has supplemented its purpose of bringing wholesome and educational entertainment to the young people very considerably in the acquisition of the motion picture projector.

during the month of August and Bishop Hines will conduct all the services. Bishop Hines made a deep impression on the people of the Diocese earlier in the year speaking on behalf of the Reconstruction and Advance Fund. The news of his return in August will be joyfully received by the people of Sussex County.



John Weldon of Old Swedes

Vestryman From Old Swedes Served Twenty-four Years

Old Swedes record-breaking vestryman, John Weldon, has retired after twenty-four years of continuous service on the vestry of Trinity Parish, Wilmington. Mr. Weldon is known throughout the Diocese as a most loyal and efficient vestryman. The Diocese offers felicitations and the hope that he will continue his service for many years to come.

A resolution concerning the retirement of Mr. Weldon appears in the minutes of the Trinity Parish vestry meeting of April 10, 1946. A copy of this resolution, beautifully inscribed and framed, was presented to Mr. Weldon. The resolution reads:

"At the annual election for vestrymen on the first Monday in March 1922, John Weldon was elected to the vestry of Trinity Parish, representing the congregation of Old Swedes. Since then he has served continuously and retires this month after a membership record of twenty-four years. Beginning his work on the vestry during the rectorship of the late Dr. Kirkus, he served throughout the tenure of Dr. Penniman. His experience covers a period greater than any of his fellow vestrymen. In all these years he has given unfailingly of his time. Always outspoken and sincere in his opinions, he has contributed greatly to the strength of Trinity Parish by the measure of candor and judgment

Newport Parish Reports Progress

ADVANCE FUND QUOTA BELIEVED NEAR

The annual parish meeting of St. James' Church, Newport, was held in the parish house on Easter Tuesday, April 23, at eight o'clock. Outstanding among the reports made were those of Fred Block, chairman of the Reconstruction and Advance Fund, and Victor Graham, chairman of the Building Fund. Mr. Block reported that he had received contributions to the extent of fifty per cent of the parish quota of \$1,000, and that he hoped the campaign would be entirely completed in the next month.

Construction Plans Discussed

Victor Graham reported that he had received contributions to the extent of \$1,000 since the Building Fund was launched last November. Plans for building the church on a site parallel to the parish house and facing on Augustine Street were discussed. The elevation and floor plans drawn by William Heyl Thompson were shown and enthusiastically approved.

Private First Grade Formed

It was announced at this meeting that the church would sponsor a private first grade which will meet five days a week from 9:15 a. m. to 1:30 p. m. on the second floor of the parish house. The school, whose work will coincide with that of the public schools, will open in September. Mrs. Richard Watts, who taught kindergarten and first grade classes in the public schools for thirteen years, will act as registrar and teacher of this school. The private kindergarten which has met on the first floor of the parish house under the direction of Mrs. Alex

which he has brought to vestry deliberations. In all, his zealous attention to the needs of Old Swedes has helped throughout the years to make it a vital part of Trinity Parish.

"Therefore, be it resolved that the vestry of Trinity Parish, sensible of his long and loyal service, extends to John Weldon its congratulations on the conclusion of a most notable record and its deep sense of regret at his retirement."

Munn will continue to meet as in the

Mrs. Watts plans to limit her class to twenty-five pupils. Because of the great number of applications of kindergarten pupils Mrs. Munn has arranged to have Mrs. George Baldwin assist her for the coming year so that she might increase her enrollment.

Three Vestrymen Elected

The last business of the annual meeting was the election of three vestrymen to succeed Elmer Smallwood, Melville Huber Jr. and Fredus Balwin Sr. whose terms expired. Those elected were John Mitchell Jr., Robert Seddon, and George Suro. Mr. Mitchell had served as a member of the vestry for a one-year period. Mr. Seddon and Mr. Suro will serve as vestrymen for the first time.

President of Calvary Men Elected to Parish Vestry

At its annual parish meeting on Easter Monday Calvary Church, Wilmington, elected the president of Calvary Men, Horace H. Housten, to the vestry. It also re-elected as vestrymen Robert J. Forman and Albert C. Graham. Mr. Forman was also re-elected senior warden. William J. McBlain was re-elected junior warden.

A resolution was unanimously passed advising the vestry to proceed at once to take the necessary steps for placing a reredos in the church above the high altar in memory of the late rector of the parish, the Rev. George C. Graham, D. D. It is anticipated that the reredos will depict the Calvary scene in a style to blend with the simplicity of the church's interior. Some funds have already been raised for the purpose but a definite campaign to raise the bulk of the amount needed will soon be launched.

The May meeting of Calvary Men heard the Rev. Nelson Rightmyer, Ed. D., on Vital Matters to Come Before General Convention. Dr. Rightmyer, rector of St. Peter's Church, Lewes, is also on the faculty of the Philadelphia Divinity School.

Women Are Active at Concord Pike

CARD PARTY BENEFITS FUND QUOTA

The Woman's Auxiliary of Grace Church, Concord Pike, recently sponsored a card party in the parish house. The committee members were Mrs. Helen Engen, chairman, Mrs. Richard Merchant, Mrs. Morey A. Park, Miss Anna Bird. Proceeds were for the benefit of the organization's Reconstruction and Advance Fund quota.

The Woman's Auxiliary and others of Grace parish were entertained by Miss Helen Morgan Brooks, Negro poetess, who read poems from her book In These My Years.

Guild Redecorates Rectory

The Woman's Guild of the parish has redecorated five rooms in the rectory. It has also ordered the repainting of the woodwork in the interior of the rectory.

The guild is planning a bazaar which will feature tables for each month of the year. This organization served the dinner for the spring entertainment of the Concord Pike Civic Association held in the parish house.

Veterans Honored at Dinner

On May 22 Grace parish honored its returned servicemen by a dinner dance in the parish house. The invocation was given by the Rev. Walter Fosnocht, pastor of Mt. Lebanon Methodist Church; the benediction was asked by the Rev. Leon Dage, pastor of Newark-Union Methodist Church; the address of welcome was given by Melvin Bedford, parish lay reader; the guest speaker was Rabbi Henry Tavel of Wilmington, a former major in the Chaplains' Corps. Arrangements for the dinner were in charge of a combined committee of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, the Woman's Guild, and the Woman's Auxiliary. The dinner was served under the direction of the guild.

Washington Trip Planned

The Y.P.F. of the parish held a corporate Communion on May 19. On June 22, members of this group and others plan a bus trip to the National Cathedral in Washington, D. C. The group has studied the Cathedral dur-

ing May. The group also plans a Communion breakfast.

Members of Grace parish regret very much the resignation of Mrs. Perla Norton, who, because of illness, has been compelled to relinquish the organ. Mrs. Norton has served faithfully for fourteen years. During Mrs. Norton's illness, the parish has been very fortunate in securing the services of Miss Amelia Duffy, a pupil of Mr. Paul Terry, Cathedral organist.

Plans are being made for a Country Fair, to be held late in July and for a Horse Show, to be held on Saturday, Sept. 28.

Sussex County Laymen Meet At St. Philip's, Laurel

St. Philip's, Laurel, was host to the Sussex County Laymen's League April 25. Judge Richard Rodney was the speaker and Chaplain D. W. Mayberry, U.S.N., also gave a short talk.

St. Mark's, Little Creek, celebrated its eighty-ninth anniversary on April 28 and enjoyed a visit from the Bishop. St. Mark's is in great need of an oil burner in order that a fire may be started in time to warm the church for services. The rector, the Rev. Robert Y. Barber, would appreciate funds for this purpose. For the last few years it has been necessary to transfer morning services to an afternoon hour and still the church was not warm.

Easter was a gala day in the Gateway Field with a generous response to the various offerings. There was one for the Philip Cook Foundation and one for the Deputy Thank Offering Memorial. The carpet fund was remembered. The Church School climbed from its goal of \$130 to \$223, the best offering in fifteen years. The parish had an offering of \$339, which will be used to do some very necessary work on the rectory. St. Andrew's Easter offering was \$30, which will be applied on the Quota.

Easter Eucharists were well attended and the rector spent Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday visiting the shutins and sick who wished to receive.



Floral cross built by the Church School of St. Barnabas', Marshallton, Easter 1946.

New Castle County Youth Elect Officers for Year

Officers elected at the annual meeting of the New Castle County unit of the United Movement of the Church's Youth are: first vice-president, James Miller; second vice-president, Phyllis Harmer; secretary, Phyllis Harmon, and treasurer, Leon Slocomb.

The group heard an address by Miss Helen Owen, of York, Pa., director of religious education of the Diocese of Harrisburg, on the Rule of Life. She stressed the importance of service to others through the medium of the Church, and also the need for vocations in the Church itself.

The Rev. Edward H. Ehart Jr., chairman of youth work in the Diocese, presided. The worship was conducted by Mr. Miller, Phyllis Duncan, and Max Karrer Jr. Connie Miller was the organist.

The Gateway summer schedule of services will not go into effect until after Whitsunday. Then there will be a celebration at St. Philip's every Sunday, at St. Andrew's on the first and third, and St. Mark's on the second and fourth.

Soldier Finds He Cannot Hate Japanese People

CIVILIANS IN TOKYO DO NOT RESEMBLE ENEMIES

This statement on the Japanese people was submitted anonymously by a communicant of a Wilmington parish who is currently stationed in Tokyo with the U.S. Army.

Actually there is little I can say about my reaction to our former "enemies." They are people, in many respects just like you people in the States. Their color, racial habits and language do not cause me any trouble. I have always more or less accepted or ignored the physical differences between peoples. It seems queer to me to hear them called "enemies."

Government Control Excessive

The average Japanese was never, of his own will or thought, anybody's enemy. If he ever did hate us, it was because he was told to do so. We always thought that the German government exercised tremendous control over the mind of the average citizen. They were pikers. The Jap control was so complete that it will take years, decades, perhaps centuries to teach these people to think or act for themselves in anything but the routine of life.

It is impossible for me to hate them. I am quite sure that the Jap in the streets of Tokyo or Osaka had no more to do with the beginning of this war than I did. The Emperor said "Fight," so they fought. Now the war is over and he has told them to stop fighting and be nice to the Americans. So they go all out in the business of being nice.

People Obedient as Children

If you spend ten years teaching a child to obey commands implicity and immediately, you can hardly blame the child for killing when you give the order. Most of these people are children in that respect. They obey the Imperial commands without question. There are, of course, many of them who are educated, who think for themselves, and only make a show of Emperor worship. They, the industrialists, the Generals, are the people responsible for the war, and they

are the people whom the International Prosecution Commission is rounding up for trial.

The average Jap is nothing more than an animal mentally, I mean as far as original thought is concerned. I don't hate them. I've talked with them, drunk with them, dated a few Japanese girls. Some of them are exquisite things. They are as harmless as my sisters.

Courtesy and Brutality

These people are a living paradox. Courtesy and politeness have been developed to the point where life is almost controlled by them. We are boors compared to these little people. Yet in many ways they are absolutely brutal. Like most Orientals, they have little respect for the individual life. Pain means nothing, for they have been exposed to it all of their lives. People die nightly in the big railroad stations; I have seen them dying. No effort is made to help them. All is Oriental apathy and lack of concern at the course of one life.

No Sign of Original Thought

In spite of their apparent technological success as demonstrated by their navy, air force, and other services, they are primitive. They can build great battleships when someone shows them how - but only then. Another sign of the lack of original thought. The Tokyo telephone exchange is one more example. The most modern equipment, trained operator, technicians who know the machines they work with, yet the whole exchange is hopelessly fouled up. They were never shown an efficient, practical way to use the stuff, and they can't figure one out for themselves.

Everything Done Hard Way

They do everything the hard way, in spite of possessing the most modern equipment. I can well understand the complete surprise of Pearl Harbor. No one could have dreamed that this nation would actually make war on us. Even now it is fantastic.

How the Japanese leaders ever thought that they could win is beyond me. They had an army, navy, air force, of course, but they didn't know how to use them. They were only successful when they had no opposition.

Study the campaigns of the Pacific and you will see that whenever they met an organized force that compared with theirs in strength, they were hopelessly beaten. Three or four Marine divisions, a couple of Army divisions, a few battleships and a small air force drove them out of the Southwest Pacific. I have watched them here in Tokyo for months, and the more I see, the more incredible it seems. How could they have dared?

Police Wear Tin Swords

Tokyo was a modern city — on the surface. There were and still are lots of beautiful buildings, a subway system, all the things that go into a modern city. But beneath it all is nothing. The police wear little tin swords. Businessmen use the abacus for counting. All is inefficiency. The modern city is built upon bamboo stilts.

Occupation Well Started

Much of what statewide magazines and papers say about the occupation is true. A good start has been made. Democracy has been introduced, but the people are bewildered. They are living in a democracy - because the Emperor so ordered. But they haven't the faintest idea what to do with it. If the Emperor were removed by friend MacArthur, we would probably be fighting again. If not that, at the least we would have a hopeless task on our hands. The people are so accustomed to being told how to think and what to do that they can't act alone. It does no good to discredit the Imperial Government. Someone must be there to tell them what to do.

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